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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP 1651  
**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q63526

NEMORI, Ryoichi, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/786,883

Group Art Unit: 1651

Confirmation No.: 6523

Examiner: Ralph J. Gitomer

Filed: March 9, 2001

For: A THIN MEMBRANE FOR DETECTING THIOL-CONTAINING COMPOUNDS

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated December 31, 2003.

Review and reconsideration on the merits in view of the following remarks and amendments are respectfully requested.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.